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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant  
application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/500,132
Filing Date	February 8, 2000
Examiner Name	Catherine A. Simone
First Named Inventor	Kiyoshi Iseki, et al.
Group Art Unit	1772
Attorney Docket Number	11197/1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**
  - a. ☒ Previously submitted
    - i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on February 24, 2005  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
    - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. ☒ Enclosed
    - i. ☒ Supplemental Amendment/Reply
    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☐ Other -Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)
2. **Miscellaneous**
  - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
  - b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
  - a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-0600
    - i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
    - ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
    - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
    - iv. ☒ Charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17
  - b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
  - c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Signature		Date	May 24, 2005

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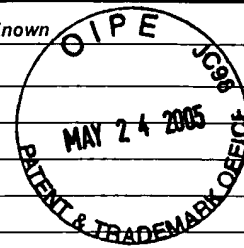
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 1,810.00

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